## **CHAPTER NO. 274**

## **SENATE BILL NO. 1135**

## By Clabough

Substituted for: House Bill No. 878

By Kerr, Baird, Ford, Givens, Ferguson, Bowers, Dunn, Goins, Bone, Walker

AN ACT To amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 44, Chapter 15, Part 2, relative to bees and bee equipment and supplies.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 44, Chapter 15, Part 2, is amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated section:

§44-15-2\_\_. The commissioner may establish procedures for the payment of indemnities for honey bee colonies destroyed under the authority of this chapter. Indemnity under this section is not intended to be a full reimbursement but a partial compensation based on, but not limited to, the value of the colonies and the availability of funds for such purpose. Indemnification may be disallowed if the owner is in violation of this chapter.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.

PASSED: May 19, 1999

SPEAKER OF THE SENATE

JIMMY NAIFEH, SPEAKER ISE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APPROVED this 26th day of May 1999

CON SANOCUIST GOVERNOR